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Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application  
Appl. No. 10/026,470; Filed: December 27, 2001  
For: **A Thick Oxide P-Gate NMOS Capacitor for Use in a  
Phase-Locked Loop Circuit and Method of Making Same**  
Inventors: Tam et al.  
Our Ref: 1875.1350000/DJF

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

1. An original executed Power of Attorney from Assignee;
2. Assignee 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b) Statement with copy of Assignment attached; and
3. One (1) return postcard.

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the date of filing of these documents, and that it be returned to our courier. In the event that extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

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Respectfully submitted,

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